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LANDINGS BY FISHING VESSELS AT BOSTON, GLOUGESTER, AND PORTLAND DURING JANUARY

Approximately 21 million pounds of fresh fish, spread among 21 classifications and valued at \$860,000, were landed during January 1941 by fishing vessels at the three ports of Portland, Maine; and Boston and Gloucester, Massachusetts, according to statistics released today by the Division of Fishery Industries.

Fish and Wildlife Service, United States Department of the Interior, in Statistical Bulletin No. 1413.

Compared with January 1940, this represents a decrease of 4.2 million pounds in volume, but the value is \$20,000 greater for 1941.

Average price per pound of all species landed during January amounted to about 4.1 cents, compared with 3.4 cents for the same month in 1940.

Boston landings amounted to 16,161,000 pounds, valued at \$734,921. Compared with January 1940, when the catch totaled 20,556,000 pounds, worth \$734,936, this represents a decrease of 4,395,000 pounds in volume but only \$15 in value.

Most abundant species in the Boston landings included: large haddock (4.8 million pounds, valued at \$266,000); scrod haddock (3.0 million pounds, valued at \$123,000); rosefish (1.9 million pounds, valued at \$51,000); large cod (1.7 million pounds, worth \$94,000); and pollock (1.5 million pounds, at \$49,000).

At Gloucester, the month's catch totaled 3,728,000 pounds valued at \$101,000. Rosefish led all other species with a catch of 2.8 million pounds, worth \$65,000.

Landings at Portland during January amounted to 895,000 pounds, worth \$24,000. Leading species was rosefish, with 630,000 pounds, valued at \$12,000.